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Turned Out Strong Teams While in Charge of Squad at Georgetown.

BY H. C. BYRD.

Jim Colliflower will coach the Naval Academy basketball team. He was asked several days ago if he would consider a proposition to handle the Navy quint this season, and an affirmative reply was given. Yesterday afternoon Colliflower was at Annapolis, after a short talk with Lieut. C. E. Smith, in charge of Navy athletics, arrived at an agreement whereby he will begin work with the squad this afternoon.

Colliflower was one of the best players that ever wore the colors of a local institution; at forward and guard for Georgetown he starred in game after game. In Colliflower's second year at Georgetown three games were played with the Navy quint and two were won. The contest taken by the Navy was by a margin of one point. Billy Lush was coach of the Navy five at that time. Colliflower had charge of the Georgetown squad some of the most successful quints were developed. A victory over Princeton was one of the achievements of his team one year, and during all the period of three seasons he was in charge of the Blue and white quints fought on even terms with the best teams of the east, middle west and south.

That Colliflower will be successful as coach of the Navy quint is practically assured. His past work and evident thorough understanding of the game are sufficient to guarantee the development of a mighty competitor. If he is able to turn out a winning combination of his players, knows how to get most out of his men, can instill confidence by his own assurance and probably has a more complete knowledge of basketball than any other man in the south.

It might be mentioned, too, that Colliflower, besides being a good coach, undoubtedly is the best referee in the section. For six years he has handled practically all the big games in this section and most of those played by the Navy. A minute understanding of the finer techniques and a willingness to enforce the penalties provided for in the code with absolute fairness have made him desired as an official by almost every college.

**PEACE DELEGATES CONFERENCE TOMORROW**  
Base Ball Committee to Meet New York in Morning.

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HAS FULL AUTHORITY TO TERMINATE STRIFE

NEW YORK, December 16.—The future status of big league baseball will be decided at a peace conference of representatives of the National, American and Federal leagues here tomorrow, if the expectations of the magnates who have framed the tentative agreement after three years of war are fulfilled.

Members of the National League here in their annual meeting are waiting today for the arrival of the conference committee appointed by the American League to ratify the proposed terms of peace. The committee is composed of John Johnson, president of the American League, and Harry E. Sinclair, minor of Washington and Joseph J. Lannin of Boston.

James Gilmore, president of the Federal League, and Harry E. Sinclair, are ready to take part in the final negotiations to determine the future of baseball organization. The tentative agreement estimated at more than \$15,000,000.

**Many Knotty Problems.**  
No authoritative statement has been made as to the details of the peace conference, but many knotty problems remain to be decided by the conferees. Chief among them is that involved in the demand of President Gilmore that organized baseball must take over the \$25,000,000 of Federal League assets.

News that the American League in its Chicago session yesterday agreed to the peace plan, and that the National and Federal League members here were welcomed by the members of both leagues. President Gilmore of the Federal League said:

"A Federal League committee will always be ready to treat with the organized base ball forces. We have recognized Ben Johnson as the big man in organized base ball councils, and I am glad that he sees the light. I thought he would all the time simply as a business proposition if nothing else."

"We realize that a continuation of base ball war means harm to the game, and we are glad there is a prospect of settlement. But the Federal League finds itself in a rather comfortable position today. It has no desire on the part of the opposition to continue the fight, we will fight. If the peace pact we are ready and willing to treat."

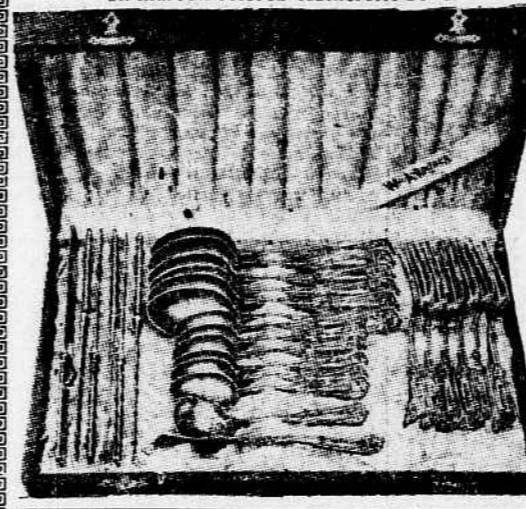
"We closed our option on our New York property yesterday. The war of the past year has been a loss to the club as a result of the peace plans just started. The game will be returned to the Washington club and when peace terms are agreed upon it will be a case of give and take between the National and American Leagues got together thirteen years ago. Griffith will be asked to have peace restored, and he will not insist on having the four jumpers returned to him, for with the elimination of the Federal League these players will suffer sufficiently for violating their contracts."

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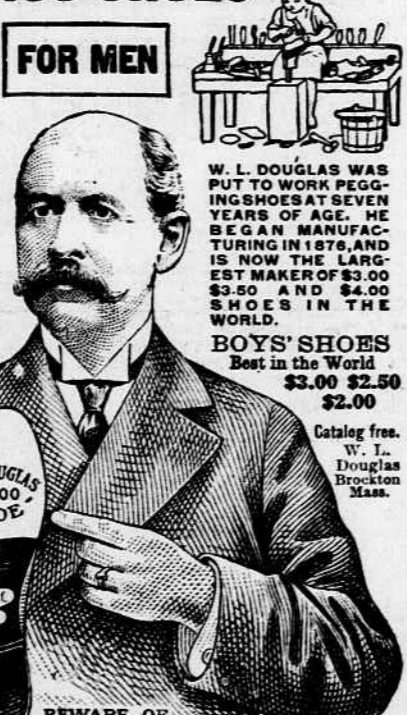
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## BASE BALL PEACE WILL MEAN PROSPERITY AGAIN FOR GAME

BY J. ED GRILLO.

Peace in base ball seems assured. The fact that the American League at its meeting yesterday accepted the peace negotiations which had been entered into by the Federal and National leagues removed the only obstacle that remained after the old league and the new one had come to an agreement.

While the details of the plans by which the Federal League is to be eliminated have not been made known, it is believed there will be two major leagues the coming season—the American and the National, the latter being strengthened by some of the Federal League capitalists.

The most serious question before the committees which will represent the three leagues in the coming negotiations will be the distribution of the players of the Federal League. There are about twelve high-grade players on the Fed team who would be able to hold their own in fast company. The other players are of minor league caliber and will no doubt find their way back into the lower leagues, which will be considerably lessened by the advent of the Fed's two years ago.

But all the obstacles looked about to be disposed of by the peace pact with the Fed will be surmountable, now that all the three leagues concerned have decided to bring about peace. There is sure to be a general reduction in the players' salaries in instances where the players have not been signed for next season, and after that there will be a heavy cut all along the line, so far as the players are concerned. The other world base ball will be put back on a paying basis, which it has not enjoyed during the past two years due to the Federal League, which came near causing ruination of the national sport by the high salaries offered all leagues to pay their players.

There will be no spitting of hairs in the details of the peace negotiations, that stands to reason. The story that Manager Griffith would put in a claim for Frank Leopore, Bob Green, Howard Elinke and Catcher Owens is absurd. These players jumped the Washington reserve list and caused a loss to the club of several thousand dollars, but not one of the players is of any value to the Washington club, and when peace terms are agreed upon it will be a case of give and take between the National and American Leagues got together thirteen years ago. Griffith will be asked to have peace restored, and he will not insist on having the four jumpers returned to him, for with the elimination of the Federal League these players will suffer sufficiently for violating their contracts.

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make any trades, waiting to see how the players from the Federal League will be distributed. There are but few in that league who are of major league caliber, and it is a safe guess that these will be divided among the clubs which the Federal League backers are going to become interested in.

There is little doubt that with the peace negotiations a way will be found to make an adjustment which will be satisfactory to all concerned.

The invasion of the base ball field by the league of some real business men of wealth it was soon determined that the peace pact would be a basis where the club owners would stand a chance of making both ends meet, even if their teams should not be permanent winners. The players will have to stand substantial reductions of salary in due time, but the game will be benefited thereby instead of continuing in danger of absolute failure.

So far as the local club is concerned, peace will mean much. The war of the past two years has caused the National's salary list to soar far above the point the local club could afford to pay. Furthermore, there will be a general revival of interest in the sport, which will again make the minor league prospect bright and give employment to a greater number of players than has been the case for years.

The value of base ball stock of every club in the major leagues will take a leap as a result of the peace plans just started. The game will be returned to the Washington club and when peace terms are agreed upon it will be a case of give and take between the National and American Leagues got together thirteen years ago. Griffith will be asked to have peace restored, and he will not insist on having the four jumpers returned to him, for with the elimination of the Federal League these players will suffer sufficiently for violating their contracts."

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peace, but not peace at any price. I am deeply interested in the Federal League, and I will have to be satisfied. This is the sentiment of all the owners of the Federal League. Unanimous consent will have to be had before action can be taken."

Some of the base ball players who are here watching the progress of the peace negotiations are apprehensive as to the result affecting them. Many Federal League players fear they will be out of a job next season, while others of the two big leagues expect to have their true worth shown hereafter. As one player put it, "the club owners will sign for what the magnates offer them."

**SCANLON WINS TITLE.**

Defeats Wallace, 50 to 31, at Three-Cushion Billiards.

The return match between Edward Scanlon and Walter Wallace, at three-cushion billiards, was played last night at Frank Sherman's parlor, the former winning by the score of 50 to 31. Scanlon's bill was true from last night and, while he did not make runs of any length, his steady play kept him in front almost the entire evening. He made at least ten runs of three, which carried his average up high, and his safety play was almost the equal of his brilliant shots.

Wallace opened the match well with a run of three, while his opponent found difficulty in getting started, but Wallace, after that, appeared to lose his stride, especially on round-the-table shots, at which he usually is very clever. In addition, the steady play of Scanlon evidently worried Wallace to such an extent as to make him resort to safety play on any shot at all doubt.

The attendance was large and the interest held throughout the match. The victory gives Scanlon the championship of the district, but it is doubtful if he will be allowed much rest, as many of the players are bent on attaining the title. Should a third match be arranged for the championship it will be at 100 points straightaway.

**Murphy Elected Captain.**  
Fred Murphy has again been elected to captain a foot ball team at Catholic University. Murphy proved a very successful leader last season and he has been honored by his teammates with the honor of representing an outlay estimated at more than \$15,000,000.

**Schedules in Bowling Leagues for Tonight**

Monroe League—Dawson vs. King Solomon, Anacostia vs. King David.  
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Terminal Railroad vs. M. C. A. League—Auditors vs. High Level.  
Capital City League—Bureau vs. Vorn Soap.  
Mount Pleasant League—Arcade Stars vs. Quebec.  
Agricultural Center League—Hammock vs. Weather.  
Southern League—Neelie Stars vs. Government Hospital for the Insane.  
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Bureau Printing and Engraving League—Electricians vs. Engraving Division.  
Georgetown Commercial League—Washington and Virginia Railroad vs. Potomac Savings Bank.  
Southwestern League—Mount Rock vs. Altamont.  
National Capital League—Palace vs. Chambers.  
District League—Belmont vs. Royals, Jeda vs. Home Club.

Must Take Care of Players.  
When asked the terms of the settlement, Mr. Gilmore said:

"You could not expect me to say anything about that right now. There is only one thing upon which I know we must insist. Every ballplayer who came with us and thus brought himself under the ban of organized base ball will be protected. The settlement may mean that the Federal League will pass out of existence, and it may not. All that will be up to a committee of the different factions."

Harry F. Sinclair said: "I am for

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## Pertinent Comment on Happenings in Sportdom

By J. ED GRILLO.

Every base ball war has given the national pastime a great setback. This was true of the Brotherhood war and the battle which began in 1900 between the present National and American League moguls and ended with the alliance of the two organizations.

The war, which has been going on for the past two years between the Federal League and organized base ball has given the game its greatest black eye in history. But with peace in sight a new era of prosperity for the game itself and the owners is in sight.

Peace in the base ball world will be welcomed by the fans. Just as soon as the details of the peace pact are announced there will be real rejoicing the country over.

The Federal League promoters have been convinced that there is not room enough for three major leagues. They contended that there was when they came into the limelight two years ago. The fact that the Fed pennant winners could not take part in the world series every fall was the greatest blow dealt the independents.

It will take a lot of time to arrange the details of the peace plans. There are so many angles to be considered that the magnates will have to spend most of the winter at the task.

There is believed to be approximately \$16,000,000 involved in the absorption of the Federal by the National League, and naturally it will take a lot of time to arrange for the outlay of all this money. The most important matter to be considered is the reinstatement of the players who deserted organized base ball to accept Federal League offers. It is known that a majority of base ball magnates are opposed to the return of contract jumpers to the charmed circle. There is a difference between a contract jumper and the player who ignored the so-called reserve clause. Men who jumped their contracts are apt to be kept out of the ban for a while. But the big leagues realize that good playing material is needed to strengthen the teams next year, and there is little doubt, therefore, that a majority of the former major league players will be taken back.

For the second time since he has been in base ball, August Herrmann, the president of the Cincinnati club, has been instrumental in bringing about

peace out of war. In 1902 it was the Cincinnati magnate who got the National and American leagues together. There were all sorts of concessions made at that time by both sides, and he opened the way by relinquishing all claim to the players who had jumped his club, among whom were Sam Crawford and Jimmy Barrett.

Herrmann has had much to do with getting peace under way in the present situation. A year ago he got busy and seemed to have a compromise started, but the effort failed. It was Herrmann whom Stetler, the principal backer of the Fed's, opened negotiations with during the recent world series. Herrmann has been hopeful all the time that the leagues would get together, and when peace is finally arranged he will deserve much of the credit for it.

President Jim Gilmore still is denying that there is anything to the peace movement. He always has taken that position and probably will continue to do so. He has declared that there is nothing left for him to do but admit that peace is an accomplished fact. Gilmore is entitled to some credit, for he was successful in getting financial backing for the Fed's when they needed it badly.

It is a foregone conclusion that the players must pay the freight. Those players who are under contract for 1916 are not in danger, but those who will have to be signed will feel the effect in their pay envelopes. It is the magnates' turn to go to bat.

Georgetown by One Point.  
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